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Lt. General Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Central Intelligence Group, 2165 New War Department Building 21st and Virginia Ave., NW, Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Van:

On my return from the Union Pacific inspection trip, I found your letter of September 6th and note that you have now selected 15 October as the date for the first meeting. When I got back, I received the bad news that I am to go into the hospital about the 10th of October to have my gall bladder taken out and this will, of course, keep me from attending your first meeting. After this repair job is done, I hope to be at your disposal at any time. The doctors have apparently discovered what was making me feel so miserable during my last few months in Washington, and I shall be glad to get the darned thing over with.

With best regards as always, I am

Very sincerely yours,

/s/ Bob L.

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